



## Term 1A Newsletter September 2022

### A welcome from the Head teacher

Assalamu'alaikum,  
Welcome back to all our families. I hope you all have had a safe and happy summer break. I am looking forward to working with all our families to further develop Fig Tree Primary through this academic year Inshallah. The staff are full of great ideas to make our school even better as we move into a new year and I look forward to sharing these with you during the course of the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a special 'Assalamu alaikum and welcome' to the new families starting this term.

### Special announcement!

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Headteacher of Fig Tree Primary School Mrs Hussain on her NPQH qualification. Mrs Hussain has been working extremely hard to achieve the National Professional Qualified Headship, she is now a qualified headteacher!

In Sha Allah she will drive the school to success!

### Bank Holiday- **SCHOOL CLOSED**

As announced by the DFE all schools will be closed on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022** for a bank holiday. School will re-open as usual on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

### School Timing

Please note that the school starts at **8.30am** and finishes at **3.00pm**. Any child who arrives after 8.30am must report to the school office to sign in late. **Persistent lateness affects learning.**

### School Dinner Payment

We kindly request parents to pay for their child's dinner money in advance **every Monday** morning. Payments must be made using the drop box situated in the reception area or BACs payment into the school account.

## Staffing Structure 2022-2023

It is with great pleasure to welcome Mrs Ahmed to our Fig Tree Team. Mrs Ahmed is our Year 5/6 class teacher and is also the English lead at Fig Tree Primary. Please see staffing structure for 2022-23 below:

Mrs N Hussain	Head Teacher Year 1/2 class teacher
Hafiz Muntazir	Head of Islamic Studies
Miss Rafah	Year 3&4 class teacher
Mrs Ahmed (English)	
Mrs Ahmed	Year 5&6 class teacher
Mrs Akhtar	Learning support assistant (AM) Office Manager
Mr Khan	PE Teacher
Ms Freezam Ms Kanwal	Kitchen staff
Ms Amel	Learning support assistant (PM), Office (AM)

## Tuck Shop

Last year our tuck shop was popular amongst the children. This year, we will be continuing with tuck shop every Friday as a "Jumma treat" during the morning break. Children are allowed to bring a maximum of £2 to spend on **Fridays only**.

## PE

Please ensure your child(s) bring their PE kit every week. See details below, PE days for your child(s) class.

**Persistent incorrect PE Kit will result in Timeout!**

Year Groups	PE Lesson Day
Year 1 and 2	Monday
Year 3 and 4	Thursday
Year 5 and 6	Wednesday

## Milk Money

Please pay **£6 every half term** for milk to the school office.

## Attendance

Please avoid taking your children on holiday during term time as learning is disrupted. Holiday leave is only granted in exceptional circumstances. Should the request be refused and the holiday still taken, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Please note that this stays on the child's personal record and persistent unauthorised absence can trigger a visit from the local authorities via the Education welfare Officer (EWO). A high level of unauthorised absence, more than 10 days in one school year, will also initiate a fine.

## Contact Details, Fees Agreements and Medical Forms

It is extremely important that the school has up to date information regarding address, contact details and medical needs for your child(s) in case of an emergency. If there is any change of contact or medical details, please fill the relevant forms (available from school office).

If there is a change in siblings attending school, kindly fill in a new fee agreement form and hand in to school office.

## Goose Fair

**30<sup>th</sup> September-9<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

The school will remain open during the Goose Fair period, please ensure that you park your car carefully when dropping/collecting your children. The Council usually enforce a 'No Parking' zone on Bentinck Road and a fine of £40.

## Healthy Eating

Fig Tree Primary is a healthy eating school. We aim to raise awareness of how to keep ourselves healthy. Packing healthy snacks for school not only keeps away hunger pangs but will also improve concentration and academic performance.

Here are ideas for healthy snacks for breaktime;

- Fruit- apple, banana, strawberries, berries, pineapple chunks
- Vegetables- carrot sticks, celery stick
- Dried fruit
- Cereal bars
- Cheese sticks
- Yoghurt

- Crackers
- Bread sticks
- Pretzels
- Baked crisps **ONLY**- wotsits, tortilla chips

## Safeguarding and Child Protection

Children's safety and welfare is paramount to all staff at Fig Tree Primary School. It is everyone's duty to pass on information that helps to safeguard the well-being of the children in our care. **Mrs Hussain is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and Mrs Kulsoom is our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead for safeguarding and child protection.** Any disclosure by a pupil must, by law, be reported immediately to the DSL; any concerns must be similarly dealt with. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us, we always take action to protect a child and inform the relevant agencies where necessary.

## Theme of the week Term 1A

The aim of the weekly themes is to promote development of knowledge and skills which provide an experiential dimension for spiritual and moral areas of the curriculum.

Week	Theme
Week 1 05.09.22	Theme 1 Sincerity in Intentions and Works
Week 2 12.09.2022	Theme 35 Faith and resilience
Week 3 19.09.2022	Theme 20 Allah Loves the Peacemakers (International Peace Day 21.9.22)
Week 4 26.09.2022	Theme 8 Always tell the truth
Week 5 03.10.2022	Theme 31 Following Sunnah-Our role model
Week 6 10.10.2022	Theme 25 Sending blessings on the Messenger Seerah Week

## Uniform

We would be grateful if all parents could ensure that their child/ren are dressed in the correct uniform. **Boys:**

- Grey trousers

- White shirt
- Green jumper
- Black topi
- Black socks
- Black shoes (not trainers)

**Girls:**

- Grey trousers
- Grey pinafore dress (appropriate length)
- White shirt
- Green jumper / cardigans
- Black scarfs
- Black socks
- Black shoes (not trainers)

**PE (Boys & Girls)**

- White loose top (long sleeve KS 2 girls)
- Long black/grey Jogging bottoms (loose)
- Trainers / plimsolls

**Raising funds for Pakistan**

We are raising funds for the devastating floods that have taken place in Pakistan. Children can come to school dressed in green and white on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022** and make a donation towards the cause. The money collected will be donated to Muslim Hands who are currently on the grounds helping those that are severely impacted. Please donate generously.

**After School Club**

Please find details below of the after-school clubs offered this half term. Please email the school office if you wish for your child to take part

<b>After School Club</b>	<b>Day and Timing</b>
Football Club	Monday 3pm-4pm
Maths Intervention (Selected children)	Tuesday 3pm-3:30pm
Art Club	Wednesday 3pm-3:30pm
Science Club	Thursday 3pm-3:30pm

**All clubs will begin in week commencing Monday 19th September 2022**

**Dates for your diary**

Welcome back Assembly	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
Getting to know you week	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2022- Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
Non uniform day Raising funds for Pakistan	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
Bank holiday- <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
End of Term 1A	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
Start of Term 1B	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022
Nasal Flu Spray (in school clinic)	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2022

Wasalam  
Fig Tree Primary Team

